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1. CHARGE TOOK UP QUESTION WITH ILYA HULINSKY, NEWLY-NAMED DIRECTOR OF MFA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AND PREVIOUSLY COUNSELOR OF CZECH UN MISSION. HULINSKY, WHO SAID HE WAS NOT BRIEFED ON THIS WEEK'S WG MEETING WAS, OF COURSE, FULLY FAMILIAR WITH ISSUE FROM RECENT UN TOUR OF DUTY.

2. HE SET FORTH CZECH POSITION ON PUERTO RICAN ISSUE IN COMMITTEE OF 24 AS BASED ON (1) CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S RELATIONS WITH "CERTAIN LA COUNTRIES" AND AFRO-ASIANS ACTIVE ON NATIONAL LIBERATION QUESTIONS, AND (2) IN RECENT TIMES, CONCERN FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA-US RELATIONS. SPECIFICALLY ON TACTICAL SITUATION CZECHS FACED IN COMMITTEE OF 24, HULINSKY REMARKED THAT THEY COULD HARDLY TAKE POSITION LESS ACCEPTABLE TO AFRO-ASIANS THAN, FOR EXAMPLE, SWEDEN. HOWEVER, CONFIDENTIAL

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HE SAID THAT UN DEL OPERATES ON GUIDELINE THAT FAVORS CON-

SENSUS RATHER THAN RESOLUTION ON ISSUE. HE ADDED THAT HE WOULD NOW INSTRUCT CZECH DEL TO REFRAIN FROM CO-SPONSORSHIP OF ANY RESOLUTION AFRO-ASIANS MIGHT PROPOSE, AND NOT TO SPEAK ON ISSUE "UNLESS NECESSARY." IF DEL SPOKE, HULINSKY SAID, IT WOULD BE PRIMARILY ON PROCEDURE, RATHER THAN ON SUBSTANCE OF ISSUE.

3. IN GENERAL CONVERSATION DURING WHAT WAS INTRODUCTORY CALL BY CHARGE, HULINSKY SPOKE WARMLY OF HIS SERVICE IN NEW YORK, EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT RECENT TREND IN US-CZECHOSLOVAK BILATERAL RELATIONS, AND HOPED THAT WE COULD CONSULT IN FUTURE ON OTHER QUESTIONS ON UN AGENDA.
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